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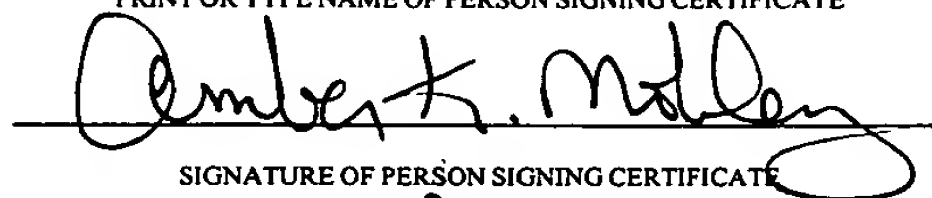
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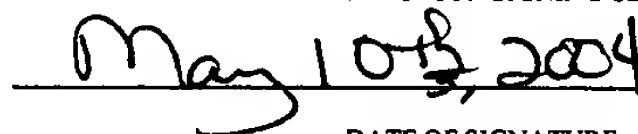
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Introductory Remarks

This paper responds to the Office Action dated 4 March 2004. The above Application contains pending Claims 1-32. Claims 12-16 and 18-31 are withdrawn from consideration. Claims 1-11, 17 and 32 are subject to a restriction requirement under 35 U.S.C. 121. Claims 1-11 and 32 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as discussed below. Applicant respectfully traverses the rejection of Claims 1-11 and 32 and requests reconsideration and withdrawal thereof together with allowance of Claims 1-11 and 32 at an early date.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 6 of this paper.

Remarks Concerning Amendments begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments Concerning the Restriction and Claim Rejections begin on page 3 of this paper.